

Remarks

Claims 1-18 are pending in the application. The Examiner in the Official Action has rejected claims 1-2, 6-7 under 35 USC 102(b) over US patent 5,732,576 to Moore and claims 1, 4-5 and 17 under 35 USC 102(b) over US patent 1,443,009 to Davis. The Examiner has also indicated that claims 8-16 are allowed and that claims 3 and 18 are objected to but would be allowable if rewritten in independent form including all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims.

Claims 8, 9 and 14 have been amended to correct grammar and typographical errors. These amendments do not change the scope and/or breath of the allowed claims.

By this amendment claim 1 has been amended to include the limitation of cancelled claim 3 and claim 17 has been amended to include the limitations set forth in claim 18. Accordingly claims 1 and 17 as amended are in condition for allowance. The remaining rejected claims depend at least ultimately upon one of these two independent claims. Since claims 8-18 have been allowed, only allowable claims are now pending in the present application. Accordingly the application is now in condition for allowance and such action is respectfully requested.

An extension of time has been filled concurrently herewith thereby making this response timely.

Respectfully submitted



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